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SUBJECT

Allocation of Zistersdorf Oil Production

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Early in March 1947 the Austrian Government announced a new gasoline

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rationing program which, in effect, had been dictated by the Russians. On 7 March 1947 the Russians advised the Austrian Government that no gasoline would be allocated for civilian use and directed that from 15 to 25 March 28,000 barrels of diesel oil be delivered to Yugoslavia (Each barrel contains about fifty-eight gallons). On 10 March 35,000 barrels were sent to Yugoslavia; on 11 March an additional 7,000 barrels were dispatched. The oil is shipped to Yugoslavia by means of the Zistersdorf-Wiener Neustadt-Ober Wart-Cilli-Maribor railway line, which runs through the Russian Zone of Austria. The trains are guarded by Russian troops until they reach the Yugoslav frontier.

, a large portion of the fuel is stored in the Abbazia district of Yugoslavia's newly-acquired Italian province.

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